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The amendment filed by the applicant on 9/3/2004 is non-compliant because it fails to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 for the following reasons:

- (1) In the "Amendments to Specification" section, pages 3-15 of the response, the applicant attempts to delete various figure numbers by using double parentheses, not double brackets as required by 37 CFR 1.121.
- (2) In the "Amendments to Claims" section, Claims 5, 10, 13, and 14, the applicant attempts to delete various claim numbers by using double parentheses, not double brackets as required by 37 CFR 1.121. Additionally, Claim 25 appears to be "currently amended", not "original" as the status identifier indicates. Further, "new" Claims 26 and 27 are improperly underlined (in a new claim, the text of the claim must be presented in clean form without underlining for compliance with 37 CFR 1.121).

The seven replacement sheets of drawings submitted on 9/3/2004 are correctly labeled "REPLACEMENT SHEET" and appear to comply with 37 CFR 1.121.

While not specifically relevant to the issue of non-compliance, the examiner notes that, if the present amendment were to be entered, Claims 6 and 7 would depend from Claim 4, which the applicant indicates as canceled.

Applicant is given a time period of ONE MONTH from the mailing of this communication to re-submit a corrected version of the Specification and Claims sections that complies with 37 CFR 1.121. Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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